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GRAND DRAWING!

AT THE TABERNACLE JAN. 3, 1881

SEE THE RESULT BELOW:

8,553	draws the	$50 GOVERNMENT BOND.
10,147	"	$25 CASH GIFT.
368	"	$25 SUIT OF CLOTHES.
1.042		$25 OVERCOAT.
9,498		$15 YOUTH'S SUIT.
1,119		$15 YOUTH'S OVERCOAT.
3,067	"	$10 BOY'S SUIT.
2,692	"	$40 SEWING MACHINE.
12,143	"	$25 COOKSTOVE, (from Close, Griswold & Co.)
8,210	"	HAWORTH CHECK-ROWER

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BEST GRADES OF COAL

—AND—

Will Fill All Orders Promptly!

He gives strict personal attention to the business and hopes to merit a fair share of patronage. Order by telephone at W. H. Swearingen's grocery store.

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W. C JOHNS,

ATTORNEY-AT-LAW,

SPECIAL ATTENTION TO CIVIL BUSINESS.

Office—No. 21, East Main Street, Decatur Illinois. Jan1tf

MASTER'S SALE.

STATE OF ILLINOIS } ss.
MACON COUNTY. } MACON COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT

[illegible] Trustee [illegible] superintendent of schools vs. David L. Allen et al No 10955

Public notice is hereby given, that in pursuance of decree of said court entered in the above entitled cause in said court at the December term 1880 December term A. D. 1880 I John A. Brown, Master in Chancery for said Macon County, will on the [illegible] day of January A. D. 1881 [illegible] at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, at the west door of the court house, in Decatur in said county, the following described real estate situated in the county of Macon and state of Illinois, to-wit: Seventy feet off the north side of lot one (1) in block one (1) of the original town of Decatur, with the appurtenances thereunto belonging. Said premises will be sold subject to redemption

Decatur, Illinois Dec. 29, 1880.

JOHN A. BROWN,
Master in Chancery for Macon County, Illinois.
E. T. HUMPHREY, Sol. for complainant. d30d

Lechinger and O'Neill

Have engaged one of the best gunsmiths of Chicago and are now prepared to do all kind of repairing at reasonable prices. All work warranted. 25 3m

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

Estate of Margaret Wykle, deceased.

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given to all persons having claims against Margaret Wykle, late of said county, deceased, to appear at the office of the undersigned at Lincoln, in said county, to be made at the [illegible] of the day of December, on the 3d Monday of February, A. D. 1881, being the first day of said term.

JAMES A. MURPHY, Administrator.

CONSUMPTION CURED.

An old physician, retired from active practice, having had placed in his hands by an East India missionary the formula of a simple vegetable remedy for the speedy and permanent cure of consumption, bronchitis, catarrh, asthma, and all throat and lung affections, also a positive and radical cure for nervous debility and all nervous complaints, after having tested its wonderful curative powers in thousands of cases, has felt it his duty to make it known to his fellow sufferers. Actuated by this motive and a desire to relieve human suffering, I will send free of charge, to those who desire it, this recipe, with full directions for preparing and using the medicine, which they will find a sure cure for Consumption, Bronchitis, Catarrh, Asthma, and all throat and lung affections. Address, Dr. W. A. NOYES, 149 Power's Block, Rochester, N. Y.

Inexpensive Advice.

If more guitars be bought than violins this month it will be because it is cheaper. Why will a father or mother load the rheumatism and doctor bills upon a bottle of Salvation Oil. For 1 shilling (not only get rid of a pain but) a child in (Violin.)

Amusements.

Opera House

ONE NIGHT ONLY.

Tuesday, January 11th

The ORIGINAL and ONLY

BILLY ARLINGTON'S

Minstrels

20 ARTISTS OF MERIT 20

6 CELEBRATED COMEDIANS 6
6 GREAT END MEN 6
6 SONG and DANCE ARTISTS 6
6 CLOG DANCERS 6

ARLINGTON'S CALIFORNIA QUARTETTE, and a superb Band and Orchestra.

ADMISSION, 35, 50 and 75c. Seats secured without extra charge at Curtis & Co.'s Jewelry Store jd6d

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that on the seventh day of February next, I shall attend before the county court of Macon county, at Decatur, Illinois, at 10 o'clock a. m., of said day, for the purpose of settling and adjusting all claims against the estate of Lee Jr. Rice, late of said county, deceased, when and where all claimants are notified and required to attend and present their claims in writing against said estate for adjustment. All persons indebted to said estate are also notified to make payment to the undersigned without delay.

December 31, 1880. ALFRED B. RIDER, Administrator
31w

R. Mueller

Is the place where you can buy at reasonable prices the J. P. Clabrough breech loader, the Wm. Goodyer breech loader, the Baker breech loader, and several other makes, all celebrated guns, I do not brag on my guns but guarantee satisfaction to everybody who buys of me. Nickle plated Bulldog revolver from $1 upwards. Give me a call. d&w1w

Notice.

Peter Perl, the undertaker, has removed his residence from West Wood street to the building two doors south of May's grocery store on South Main street. Calls by night or day will receive prompt attention. Mr Perl has recently purchased this property, and will improve it for his permanent home.

TRASK'S

Magnetic Ointment.

The worst Sores, Bruises, Cuts, Burns, Scalds, Skin Disorders, Sore Throat, Croup, Rheumatism, Lameness, Piles, and all external inflammations characterized by INFLAMMATION, and for no influence as if by magic. It is a purely vegetable preparation by a regular physician of eminence, and its success has been marvellous in the most obstinate cases. Sold by Druggists and Dealers at 35 and 50 cents.

LATEST BY TELEGRAPH

HANGED.

Two Men and a Woman Punished for Murder Yesterday.

Four More Persons Arrested in Ireland for Sedition—Gun-makers doing a Rushing Business.

Death by Fire in Kansas—Asphyxiated in an Oil Tank—Indians Surrender A Lawyer in Custody.

Ireland.

LONDON, January 6.—A Dublin dispatch to the *Times* say: The effect of such an anomaly and satire upon the Constitution as the continuance of a criminal trial in the absence of the accused can hardly be favorable to the administration of justice. The people will only see that Parnell and his associates care as little for the Queen's bench as for the law itself, and ignore its authority when it interferes with the pursuit of their political objects.

THE FENIANS.

A Dublin correspondent to the *Evening Times* writes that the Fenians are not hopeful that a rising can be carried on in Ireland. They think the only plan is to strike a blow home.

DUBLIN, January 6.—The President, Secretary, Treasurer and two members of the Tenant Land League were arrested on a charge of sedition for supporting a resolution to "Boycott" a land-owner. Bail was refused.

LONDON, January 6.—A dispatch from Dublin says the gun-makers are doing an enormous business, principally in revolvers.

Burned to Death.

FT. SCOTT, KAS., January 6.—A horrible accident occurred at Coanvale, on the southern boundary of the county, on last Tuesday. In the afternoon of that day Miss Davis let her dress strike the blaze in the fire-place. It ignited immediately, and in her alarm she rushed out into the yard. The wind was blowing freshly, and she was soon enveloped in a sheet of flame. Her mother rushed to her relief, and made frantic efforts to save her child, and while doing so let her own clothes catch fire. Before help could arrive her clothing was burned from her person, and her daughter, from whom the ferocious flames had consumed the last garment, was lying a blackened corpse at her feet. The mother lingered in great agony for about twenty-four hours, when she too crossed the silent river. At the time of the horrible holocaust of the fire fiend the husband, Mr Davis, was in this city on business.

Mrs. Christiancy Denies.

WASHINGTON, January 6.—Mrs. Christiancy now denies the letters published yesterday which Giro asserted he received from her. She says she can prove every letter she wrote, but that those printed are forgeries. Miss Lillie Meisey, daughter of a prominent lawyer of this city, says she saw the letters written by Mrs Christiancy to Giro, but none of them were similar to those printed. Mrs Christiancy says she can prove she was elsewhere on the night on which Giro stated she occupied a room with him.

Woman Hanged.

NEWARK, N. J., January 6.—Mrs. Meirhoffer, convicted, with Frank Lammens, her paramour, of the murder of her husband, J. W. Meirhoffer, at West Orange, October 18, 1879, was hanged in the county jail this morning. She was very pale and deeply affected, but walked to the gallows without assistance and met her fate without confessing or uttering a word.

Hanged in Prison.

PHILADELPHIA, January 6.—Daniel F Sullivan and Patrick Hayes were hanged in Moyamensing prison at 10:57 this morning. Hayes killed his wife on the morning of March 28 last and then attempted to kill himself. Sullivan killed a woman with whom he had lived, and who had separated from him in Oil City, Pa. Sullivan was manager for a minstrel troupe.

A Lawyer in Custody.

CHICAGO, January 6.—Ex State's Attorney Charles Reed, who has been constructively in custody of the Sheriff during his illness, was to-day put in the sheriff's actual custody and produced in court. He was committed for failing to file a report of the condition of an estate for which he was the guardian for the heirs.

Asphyxiated.

BRADFORD, PA. January 6.—Yesterday afternoon Mathew Scheutler had occasion to go into an oil tank to make some repairs. He was asphyxiated by the gas arising from the petrolium and was found lying dead in the bottom of the tank.

Indians Surrender.

ST. PAUL January 6.—Major Ilges started for the camp of the hostile Indians, when he was met by a delegation of Yankton Nais chiefs, who promised to surrender all the hostile and arms. With this promise the Major returned home.

A Remarkable Phenomenon.

BALTIMORE, January 6. Miss Bertie Leifeld died on New Year's, but no signs of decomposition have yet appeared. The remains have been placed in a vault with the coffin lid loose and instructions given to the sexton to watch.

THE British Parliament opened yesterday and the Queen delivered her speech in which she devoted a good deal of attention to the Irish question. She asks for additional powers to suppress disorder in that troublesome part of her realm.

CONGER is nominated for U. S. senator in Michigan. At the conclusion of the sixth ballot Baldwin's support went over to Conger, leaving Bagley, who had the most votes of the three up to this ballot, far in the rear.

ADDITIONAL LOCAL.

Arlington's minstrels at the opera house on Tuesday evening and don't you forget it.

Buy a Davis sewing machine for a present from Stookey & Co's d&w

It is expected that T. T. Kendrick will have a full hearing at the opera house on Sunday night.

B. Stine the boss clothier warrants every article he sells, and don't you forget it. d&wtf

Preaching at the U. B. church this evening. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

A full line of kid gloves, and corsets just received at Bear & Einstein.

Bloez & Dansisen have a splendid new delivery wagon which shines like a gold coin right from the mint.

The court house was densely packed yesterday afternoon while the case of the People against William Stare was being argued.

Go to Dr Stoner's for Mrs Freeman's New National Dyes. For brightness and durability of color are unequaled. Color from 2 to 5 pounds Price, 15 cents tf

Yesterday a man by the name of James Funk of Marcoa was arrested for having an assumed name. He has been going under the name of James Craig.

Men's heavy boots as low as $2.00; calf boots $2.50 at sign of big boot upside down, post office block. d&wtf.

C. W. Challis, post office block keeps the most complete assortment of boots and shoes in the city, and is bound to sell if low prices will do it. d&wtf.

Sheriff Foster will not probably go to Joliet with another batch of prisoners until next week, as some of the men who are ready to go are retained as witnesses in other cases.

Photographs down to stay at Well's gallery. Photos from 50 cents to $1.00 per dozen, cabinets $3.00 per dozen, any style, now go if you want them. 16d1w-w1mo.

The two inches of snow which fell on Wednesday afternoon and evening oiled up the sleighing nicely, so that on Thursday people were slipping about on runners at a lively rate.

If you cant take our word for it, ask some friend what he knows about Trask's Magnetic Ointment for sores, bruises, and inflammation.

The telephone is again in talking order and a fellow can talk with his neighbor farther away than he can see him. This telephone business is a big thing among modern inventions.

Call at Henry Eberts, corner of Prairie and Water streets, for bananas, grapes, oranges, pears, and Christmas candies. 25d1w

A man named Starkey from Chicago who was a little too full to take proper care of his pocket book conceived that he lost eighty dollars in this city last night. He may be able to tell where it is this mornidg.

Geo. Meredith, Jersey City, writes: The Spring Blossom you sent me has had the happiest effect on my daughter, her headache and depression of spirits has vanished. She is again able to go to school and is as lively as a cricket. I shall certainly recommend it to all my friends. d&w1w

The funeral of Benjamin M. Stoner, who died in this city on Thursday, will be attended to-day at the residence of his brother, Dr. A. J Stoner, at two o'clock in the afternoon. Rev. D. P. Bunn will officiate. Deceased leaves no wife or children.

Christ Gerber, wholesale hardware, Toledo, O., says: The Excelsior Kidney Pad has accomplished more for my wife in three weeks than all the medicine she has taken in three years. Refer all skeptics to me.—*See Adv.*

A large delegation was in from the country yesterday, some on wheels and some on runners, but most of the heavy loads were on wheels.

Bear & Einstein have a complete line of notions, ladies and children's furnishing goods, also a full line of ladies underwear and knit goods. These they offer cheaper than they were ever sold in this market.

Miss Alice Fuller desires to state that the first meeting of the cold water army, under the new officers, will be held at the club room in the tabernacle, on Saturday afternoon, at 2 o'clock, and she desires a full attendance.

For choice perfumes, hair brushes and toilet goods, go to Cole Bros., druggists. Corner of Merchant and Prairie streets.

It is now thought to be about certain that the demand for coal in this city will be supplied from a home shaft next fall and winter.

Let nobody fail to examine Liddle's immense stock of holiday goods in court house block. The like was never before seen in Decatur. d2w1

The session of court furnishes business for lots of fellows who have nothing else to do, by giving them a seat on the jury.

A large invoice of fall and winter lap robes, handsome patterns, just received and for sale at the lowest prices by s15dwtf J. G. Starr & Son.

We noticed one fellow yesterday who either didn't "swear off" or else broke his swear. Which ever way it was he was sadly demoralized.

A car load of Michigan apples just received and for sale at the grocery store of D. H. HEILMAN. Dec29tf

The weather grew slightly cooler yesterday afternoon, indicating that our snow may stay with us for a few days.

Veale the tailor has a good selection of piece goods. Call on him when you want a good, well fitting suit or clothes. s29tf.

The ghost that is wandering about in the south part of town near the colored churches has so far materialized that he leaves a foot print since the snow fell.

L. B Smith, of Faribault, Minn. says:—I am still wearing an "Only Lung Pad, and it has helped me; I intend to have another of extra strength soon.—*See Adv*

This evening there will be preaching at the First M. E. church at the usual hour. The meetings thus far have been well attended, and the interest in them seems to be on the increase. All are invited

A RARE BARGAIN.—New dressing case, washstand and bedstead, full marble, for sale by E. Houston, old Revere block. 23d1w

Decatur has several places for the cultivation of fast boys, where they can learn all about the science of gambling so far as the loosing part is concerned. The young chaps will do well to keep their eyes open and be careful where they stray.

Nickle plated 7 shooters at $1.00 and other goods in proportion, at the new gun store, two doors east of P. O. o25-3m.

A couple of boys had quite a serious disagreement on North Church street yesterday evening, and came to blows, but the good advice of a gentleman passing was heeded, and peace was restored before serious damage was done. Boys should be cautious about allowing their angry passions to rise.

Bear & Einstein have a first class milliner from Chicago who knows how to get up first-class work which draws a crowd to their store daily. Give them a call. Dec2tf.

An elegant assortment of fine custom made overcoats at B. Stine's, the boss clothier. d&wtf.

One week from to-day our neighboring city of Clinton will be thronged with people, who will gather to witness the hanging of Patsey Devine, in the jail yard of that city. Tremendous efforts are being put forth, by the friends of the doomed man, to secure a reprieve, but their efforts are not likely to avail anything.

Fine stationery for ladies—A splendid assortment of the very latest New York styles, just received at J. M. Stookey & Co's. d&w

A large trade in poultry has been carried on this winter, chicks and turkeys having been used more than usual as a substitute for other meats. A nice four or five pound chick for a quarter makes cheap meat.

Thomas Myers, Bracebridge, writes: "Dr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil is the best medicine I sell. It always gives satisfaction and in cases of cough, colds, sore throat, burns, &c., immediate relief has been received by those who use it." d&w1w

The stairs leading from the sidewalk to the Sheriff's office at the south east corner of the court house are in a dangerous condition on account of ice on them. A young man took a slide down them yesterday, but fortunately he was not much hurt.

Bear & Einstein offer special bargains in millinery goods from now until after the holidays. Call and see their prices before buying goods in that line. Dec2tf.

The town people have no reason to complain while they can get good sweet butter for 20 cents per pound.

The genuine New York saddle rock and Baltimore selects, served in any style, at the Oyster Bay Restaurant, No. 8, Water street, Cole & Hodges proprietors. dec22d&w

E. B. Pratt has a few thousand dollars he wishes to exchange for good horses within the next three months. Special days for buying: January 12 to February 20, and March 10 to 17 inclusive, and at any other time convenient to seller, at his place of business, 87 North Church street, Decatur, Illinois. j43m d&w

J. Veale, the tailor, one door west of Water on south side Prairie street, is one of the best cutters in the state. He pledges the fullest satisfaction. s29tf

Leopold Spiedel, 201 Shumway street, Buffalo, N. Y., says he has used Dr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil in his family for coughs and colds, and that it is the best thing he ever knew. d&w1w

The evidence in the case of the people vs. Wm. Stare closed at 11:30 o'clock yesterday forenoon. D. L. Bunn made the first argument for the prosecution, and was followed by E. P. Vail and I. A. Buckingham for the defence. H Crea then made the closing argument for the prosecution when the jury received their instructions.

Barber & Baker take pains in keeping their stock of boots and shoes complete in every respect. a15dwtf

Quite a delegation from Long Creek has been in attendance at the stare trial. The case seems to excite a good deal of interest among the people of the locality where stare resides. The sentiment as to his guilt seems to be somewhat divided in the neighborhood.

A Rochefort, Fayette, Mich., writes Your Eclectric Oil gives good satisfaction in this place, please send me ten dollars worth by express and oblige. d&w1w

A couple of fellows were seen on west Cerro Gordo street between 11 and 12 o'clock on Wednesday night whose movements were calculated to excite suspicion. They were closely watched for a short time, when the probably noticed that they were observed, as they walked away at a rapid gait. On south Union street, there are quite a number of thieves and robbers prowling about town at present, and people will do well to keep their doors well secured.

The little girl who is the alleged victim of Wm. Stare in the case which has excited so much interest in the court for the last few days is a very bright looking child and evidently had the sympathy of the crowd in the court room. Her cross-examination by Mr. Buckingham was very rigid and occupied about three hours. Those who heard it said that she was not drawn into any contradiction.

Epitaph.

Here lies one who lately died, nobody sorrowed, nobody cried,
Where he's gone, or how he fares, nobody knows and nobody cares,
His Billious Fever might have been cured,
If he Spring Blossom had procured. d&w1w

A Card.

I have an assortment of gas fixtures, chandeliers, store pendents, brackets and globes which I will sell at cost price, to close out the stock.

d&w H. MUELLER.

Taffy! Taffy!

In every style, or on the half shell. Hoarhound candy good and strong at Shoo Fly candy stand. 5w.1

Veterans Attention.

There will be a meeting of Macon county veterans at the court house on Saturday afternoon at one o'clock for the choice of officers for the ensuing year. J. H. MOORE, president,
J. A. BARNES, secretary.

Attent'on Knights' Templars.

A special conclave of Beaumanoir Commandery No. 9, this (Friday) evening at 6½ o'clock, for work in Knight Templars degree. A full attendance is requested.

JOHN HATFIELD, E. C.
N. L. KRONE, Recorder.

Temperance Prayer Meeting.

The topic for prayer suggested by the Evangelical Alliance for Friday, January 7, is "The Suppression of Intemperance." Accordingly there will be a meeting held at the First M. E. church from 2 to 4 p. m. to-day by those interested, to pray for this object. All persons who desire to be present will be cordially welcomed.

M M. SARGENT.

More Prizes Claimed.

No. 21146, in Young & Norman's drawing, held by John Ehrhart, draws a $10 cash prize.

No. 16783, in the same drawing, held by Guy H. Lewis, draws a $5 cash prize.

Excursion

To southeastern Kansas and Nebraska. Will leave Terre Haute, and stations on Illinois Midland railway on Tuesday, January 18th, and February 1st, for Independence, Winfield, Wellington, Kansas City, Fort Scott, Baxter Springs, and making connections with trains for Lincoln and Columbus, Nebraska, and all points through the great Platte Valley.

This excursion is intended for parties who wish to visit their friends, to examine lands of the Fort Scott and Kansas City L. & Southern road, and to give hunters a fine opportunity to spend a month in the Indian Territory, where deer, turkey, geese and smaller game are found in abundance.

Tickets good for forty days. If you want a farm in Kansas, improved or unimproved, or desire to exchange your eastern home for one in the west, address the undersigned excursion agent, who is well acquainted with the west, having made 41 trips to Kansas, and will show lands free of charge. Don't fail to take this in. Send for maps and full information. Send for "Emigrant's Guide to Kansas" an eight-page paper full of reliable and valuable information for everybody going to Kansas—mailed free. Address all communications and enquiries to land and excursion agents K. C. L. & S and K. C. Ft S. & G R. R.

W. F. Leggett, 104½, Ohio street, Terre Haute, Ind. A. E. Shrader, Traffic Manager.

Officers Elected.

Last evening Rescue Hose Company held its regular annual meeting to hear the report of its officers and elect officers for the ensuing year. The treasurer's and secretary's reports showed the company to be in a better condition than ever before. The following are the officers-elect.

Geo. W. Kraft, captain; Frank Winebrenner, 1st lieutenant; Chas. Devore, 2nd lieutenant; Chas. P. Housum, rec. secretary; Jacob H. Miller, treasurer; Fred Litterer, 1st pipeman; E troutman, 2nd pipeman; Geo. R. Brett, 3rd pipeman; John Defrates, 1st plugman; Caleb Smith, 2nd plugman; W. W. Foster, 3rd plugman; Will J. Gilkeson 4th plugman. Standing committee—Geo. R. Brett, Jos. S. Hewes, J. H. O'Neill, W. W. Foster, H. W. Downing.

After the election the company repaired to Wood's restaurant where full justice was done to the delicious oysters set up.

O Yes! O Yes! O Yes!

Can any person show cause why I should not sell to the public three thousand dollars worth of groceries during the next thirty days; let him now object thereto, or henceforth hold his peace

Of groceries we have a supply,
At prices to induce you to buy.
Sugar, nine to twelve pounds in exchange or for money.
And at that, too, which is sweeter than honey,
Of canned fruits, the best that do grow.
Whether raised at the "North" or below.
Choice buckwheat flour, the best to be had,
And pure maple sugar to make you glad.
Of coffee plenty at a very low price,
And everything else in groceries nice,
Then come, then come, our prices try,
And when you come you're sure to buy,
With a "Happy New Year" to you all,
As "Merry Christmas" is past recall.

E. B PRATT,
87, North Church street, Decatur.
Jan4d3m.

Sold Out.

Having disposed of my stock in the harness and saddlery business, I desire to effect a settlement with my patrons at the earliest day possible, and this is to notify them that I can be found at the drug store of Walters & Tyler, on the south side of the city park, where I shall be pleased to see my friends. I desire also to say to them that I shall soon resume business, with a nice new clean stock throughout, embracing every variety of goods in my line of trade, which I shall sell at figures which cannot be discounted here or elsewhere. When again open for business I hope to receive calls from all my former patrons and from hosts of new ones. Respectfully,

Jan4d&wtf J. W. TYLER.

Cloaks, Leisans and Circulars.

For the benefit of those who have not taken the trouble or pains to look around, we beg to say that our assortment in the above mentioned goods, is very superior and cannot be surpassed for quality or style. We risk nothing in saying that in the aggregate we show a better, more stylish and more perfect garment in either of the above mentioned goods, than any house in the city. Besides, we offer them, now that the season is nearly over, at ACTUAL COST. We invite your inspection and solicit a close examination of our prices of these goods.

Jd4w

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Entered at the Decatur Postoffice as second-class matter.

EPES SARGENT, the author of "A Life on the Ocean Wave," died in Boston the other day.

JEFF DAVIS will go to Europe next summer. It is a great pity he hadn't gone several summers ago and remained.

CAMERON, the younger, appears to be willing to condone the sins of his father to the Widow Oliver by securing the election of a senator of that name from Pennsylvania.

SENATOR HAMLIN must be an economical old fellow. He never wears an overcoat and says he used to work in the fields with mercury twenty degrees below zero. His shirt must have been one of the old fashioned "wamuses" worn with a jacket over it.

REPORTS say that the pure and gently falling snow had anything but a good moral effect on the city of Washington on Tuesday. The whole city, Hayes, Rogers, LeDuc and a few others excepted got on a grand old high, went on a sleighing frolic, and had what they called a good time generally.

SENATOR ELECT COXE, of Luzerne county, Pennsylvania, admits that he spent money for political purposes during the campaign and at the organization on Tuesday, would not swear. He should be sent to the national museum at Washington, or, if Barnum, receives, should be utilized in forming a select collection of anthropoids for exhibition as the greatest of moral shows.

GEN. JOHN MCDONALD, the hero of the whiskey ring aspires to authorship. In addition to his published expose of the ring, he now has in press a work entitled "Eighteen months in Prison," in which he gives his experience and impressions while in the pen. He makes a serious arraignment of the management of the Jefferson City penitentiary, complaining that the food is not in sufficient variety or proper quality. General McDonald had doubtless been accustomed to living like a lord, and rough food did not suit his fastidious taste. Fellows who steal and break the laws and are convicted for it, need not hope for ham, eggs and custards and similar food. The only pity in the McDonald case is that some of the other fellows who were equally guilty were not put in the pen with him.

THE St. Louis *Chronicle* says: "The election of Jas. G Fair, to the U S. Senate, from Nevada, will be a spectacle to make American citizens blush for their country. Here is an ignorant, narrow minded fellow who has been fortunate in mining, but who is no more fitted for the senate than for the glorious company of the apostles, against whom it is estimated no good man has a chance. The seat is bought openly and the biggest boor chances to have the most money. This is a great country, and the American eagle can scream louder through the nose than any other bird in the world." The *Chronicle* might also apply its remarks to some of the model statesmen of the east, and the late carpet baggers from the north. Sharon, the republican member whom Fair wishes to supplant, notoriously purchased his legislature, and then was seldom found in Washington except to draw his pay. Fair's purchase is notorious, but his course is in perfect accord with those great Christian republican statesmen, J. B. Farwell, of Chicago, and John Welsh, of Philadelphia.

The Fraudulent Tariff.

[Rock Island Argus.]

The spoliation system now in vogue, called a protective tariff, should be fought against steadily by every advocate of the people's interest. If this so called protective tariff did what its title would imply—protect the people's interests, the measure would be a benefit but it does not protect the people—it simply protects a few firms in the east who reap princely fortunes every year at the expense of less favored industries. The cry of "protection to home industry" is a delusion and a snare, and is simply a bait to catch the votes of timid workingmen. Wherein does this legalized robbery called a protective tariff protect? Does it protect the workingman, the farmer and retail merchant? Certainly not; because wages are no higher than if "protection" did not exist, half yet [illegible] articles of wearing apparel, and even the tea and coffee we drink is taxed to such extent that we pay fancy prices for them. Is this protection to American industry? Is it protective of the workingman to pay him low wages and tax the articles he wears,—the food he eats, until the cost of living is double what it ought to be and would be, if the so called protection did not exist. Look at this monopoly protectorate called a "protective tariff" in any light you please, and is there nothing in it that protects American industry. On the contrary it is a curse to labor, to the farmer, to the business man. Look at our shipping interest, as one result of this spoliation system and what do we find: It is easily answered—the statistics tell the story, and the tale is not such an one as Americans should feel proud of, either, as a result of this so called protective tariff, American merchantmen are almost driven from the seas, and from the second place in maritime powers, the United States occupies a position inferior to some of the third rate powers of Europe. This is a fact which the protection advocates do not pretend to deny, for the very good reason they cannot.

There should be immediate reform in the tariff laws, and on this question the west and south must ultimately unite. This question is the most vital one before the people and should be persistently discussed by friends of reform until such revision of the tariff and navigation laws is effected as will be in the interest of the people, and not as at present, wholly to benefit a small ring of manufacturers who pocket millions annually at the expense of the people. The present so-called protective tariff does not protect American industry, but is simply legalized robbery—it is a curse to free America, and a burden on the people which is an outrage they should not be compelled to bear.

How Many Pension Claims are Fraudulent!

[New York Sun.]

The government owes support to its disabled soldiers, and to the widows and children of soldiers killed in service. No duty is plainer or more imperative.

Nearly sixteen years ave passed since the war of the rebellion ended. Children in their cradles when Lincoln first called for volunteers have become citizens and voters. Children who were learning to write when Lee surrendered, are earning support for families of their own. The number of names now borne on the pension rolls exceeds a quarter of a million. It would be thought that time enough had elapsed for all veterans honestly entitled to pensions, and all widows and orphans with honest claims for government support, to obtain their rights. The account should have been closed long ago.

Yet the number of claims pending, waiting for recognition by congress, is larger to-day than the number already on the rolls. These are the claims which congress has been passing in batches, sometimes at the rate of twenty a minute, without even the pretence of an examination.

Almost three hundred thousand persons, claiming to be disabled soldiers or the widows of soldiers killed in battle, are now asking for pensions, sixteen years after the closing of the war. In ten months of 1879 and 1880 there were filed with the commissioner of pensions more than 93,000 new claims, including 73 465 of invalids and 16 760 of widows. There may be proper claims among these, but the lapse of so long a time before they are presented, raises a presumption against them which calls for the strictest inquiry.

Probably a very large part of the genuine claims in the enormous number now pending are in the hands of agents and speculators who have bought them for a song. The government owes no debt to such people.

Not a Model Family.

[From the Chicago Times.]

The Christiancy business is considerably mixed. It is apparent, however, that the Christiancys are not to be taken as a model of domestic happiness, and the prevailing impression is that it takes two to make a quarrel.

American Superstitions.

[Saturday Review.]

The follow superstitions, handed down by tradition are yet fervently believed in many parts of America: White specks on the nails are luck.

Whoever reads epitaphs loses his memory. To rock the cradle when empty is injurious to the child. To eat while a bell is tolling for a funeral causes toothache. The crowing of a hen indicates some approaching disaster. When a mouse gnaws a gown some misfortune may be apprehended.

He who has teeth wide asunder must seek his fortune in some distant land. Whoever finds a four leaf trefoil—shamrock—should wear it for good luck. Beggar's bread should be given to children who are slow in learning to speak. If a child less than 12 months old be brought into a cellar he becomes fearful. When children play soldiers on the roadside it foreboded the approach of war. A child grows proud if suffered to look into a mirror while less than 12 months old.

He Does Pretty Well.

Josh Billings (Henry W. Shaw) has made $100,000 out of his writings and lectures. This shows that the American people are anxious to be amused, even if they are not always judicious in the choice of means.—[Indianapolis Journal.

The Inventive Faculty in Old Times.

[Boston Transcript.]

The London Mayfair banteringly parallels the invention by which the human voice is kept in a box, and let loose years after the words had been spoken, by citing the curious and ingenious contrivances that have been constructed in olden times.

It says, at starting, that talking machines are no novelty. In 1783 an M. de Kempelin constructed an apparatus which answered "clearly and distinctly enough several questions. The voice is sweet and agreeable. There is but the letter 'r' which it pronounces lispingly, and with a certain hardness. When its answer is not understood it repeats it slower; and if required to speak a third time, it repeats it again, but in a tone of impatience and vexation."

Mayfair refers, among other things, to a marvel of mechanism, a toy invented for Louis XIV. when a boy: "A small chariot was drawn by two horses. Inside the chariot was a lady proceeding to court. She was attended by her coachman, footman and page. When the toy was placed upon the table, the coachman smacked his whip, the horses started off in a trot, the motion of their legs imitated to the life, and the equipage journeyed to the end of the table, where it turned at right angles and came down to that part of the table at which the prince was seated. Here it stopped. The page alighted to open the door, the lady stepped out, holding in her hand a petition, which she presented to the prince with a courtly bow. After which the lady entered her carriage, the page closed the door, mounted to his place, the coachman flourished his whip, and the footman, after running a few steps, jumped on to the vehicle."

Diamonds—The Demand for Them.

Diamonds, so the trade reports tell us, are once more coming into brisker demand, says the London Telegraph, and, in spite of new sources for the gem, the supply does not seem to suffice. One secret that nature still jealously guards from man is the composition of those exquisite crystals which we call "precious stones." Fairy stories and Eastern legends, therefore, diligently concern themselves with the diamond and emerald, sapphire, opal, ruby and amethyst.

For these, at any rate, there is still left a fragment of beautiful wild nature not yet enclosed by science, a common whereon the children of fancy can still disport themselves as they please without any aggravating intrusion of superior authority. Wise men may elaborate a prosaic chemistry, producing crystals, which they declare to be the fac similes of nature's delightful gems, but the world will not accept the ruddy residue of a crucible full of oxides as rubies, or shining fragments of calcined bisulphides as emeralds.

No crucible yet constructed can hold a native sapphire, and all the alchemy of man directed to this point has failed to extort from carbon the secret of its diamond, the little twelve-sided crystal that earth, with all her chemistry, has made so few of since first heat and water—nature's gemsmiths—joined their forces to produce the glittering stones. They placed under requisition every kingdom of created things, and in a laboratory in mid-earth set in joint motion all the powers that move the volcano and earthquake, that refashion the world's form and substance, that govern all the stately procession of natural phenomena.

Yet, with all this titanic labor, this monstrous co-operation of forces, nature formed only here and there a diamond, and here and there a ruby. Masses of quartz, crystals of every exquisite tint, amethystine and blue, more beautiful, perhaps, in delicacy of hue than the gems themselves, were sown among the rocks and scattered along the sands, but only to tell us how near nature came to making her jewels common, and how, just when the one last touch was needed, she withheld her hand, that man should confess the triumphs of her art were indeed "precious."

Intelligent Workmen Needed.

[Scientific American.]

Notice taken in a recent issue of this paper of the experience of a large shoe manufacturer of this State, who advertised in Boston and New York for twenty-five shoe fitters to work in the factory, offering full current rates and steady work. The advertisement brought one application.

About the same time a Boston firm advertised for a book-keeper, and the next day's mail brought 347 answers.

During the same month an advertisement for a clerk in a Detroit paper brought 120 applicants the first day and a greater number of letters and personal applications the next day.

An advertisment for a week in the same city, calling for a good carpenter, brought only four replies.

It is altogether probable that in any considerable city in the land, an advertisement for a book-keeper or retail clerk will bring fifty times as many replies as an advertisement for a fair workman in any trade.

It is also probable that in any and every city the average earning of clerks are nowhere near so large as the earnings of workmen of average skill in the various trades.

Further, it is fairly certain that, with equal capacity, industry and thrift, the young man who learns any trade will achieve a reasonable competence sooner than the young man who sticks to clerking; while the chances for materially improving one's condition are more numerous in the trades than behind the counter or at the desk.

Why is it, then, that the boys all want to be clerks? Why is it that intelligent parents encourage them in looking for a chance to "get into business," and in looking down on mechanical employment—as though there could be any calling more wretchedly mechanical than average clerking? Why is it that teachers almost invariably train their pupils to "look above" mechanical pursuits?

What the country wants now is workmen—intelligent, industrious, thrifty workmen; men who can do skillfully the work that waits for the doing—men who can invent new means and better processes for developing the crude resources of the land, and for converting crude matter into life-sustaining and life-enriching wealth. Mere clerks and record keepers are at a discount. There are too many of them. And the professions, so called, are almost equally crowded with men who have nothing to do. There never was a time when ability to do something real and practical was worth so much as now. Yet our young men swarm after clerkships. Why is it?

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The question is, when a fellow gets "tight" is he in a "tight place?"

Read the locals of Bear & Einstein in to-day's paper. Dec2tf.

First class clothing sold cheaper at Stine's than at any house in the city. d&wtf.

Remember that Barnes Bros. stock of confections is immense. 81d1w

Boys and girls on skates get a tumble now and then.

Silk book marks at Stookey & Co's. d&w

Bulk oysters 80c quart at Blenz & Martin's. 22d1w

Children's and misses' school shoes cheap at post office block shoe store. d&wtf

Largest line of Christmas cards at Stookey & Co's. d&w

Warren & Durfee's new office will be tony when done.

Fine upholstered platform rockers at Ashby & Andress' dec18dtf.

Fine custom made suits at Rock Bottom figures at B. Stine's the boss clothier, d&wtf

We have a complete line of corsets, which we offer cheaper than were ever offered in this market.

Dec2tf. BEAR & EINSTEIN.

When you want first-class home made candies or confections call at Cole & Hodge's Oyster Bay Restaurant, No, 8 Water St. d1w

Our merchants say that trade is dull since the holidays.

Oh, my! those delicious oysters (Booth's brand) to be had only at Barnes Bros. dec22d1w

Buy your BULK OYSTERS of Imboden bros. o25d

A fine lot of rattan chairs, the easiest rocking chair made, at Ashby & Andress' dec18tf.

Is it not extraordinary that the first thing in a boot is the "Last" and the first thing in world to cure dyspepsia and billious complaints is Spring Blossom. d&w1w

Go to the Delmonico for a dish of fresh oysters, served in the best of style. s2dtf

The Decatur *Tomahawk* credits the First M. E. church of this city with being engaged in a "distracted meetin"

"What are the wild waves saying, sister?" Go to Barnes Bros. for a square meal, served to order and all hours. 81d1w.

Complete line of lady's and men's satchels from the common to the best grades. KEELER.

Genuine plymouth buck gloves, hand sewed, also the oil-tan gloves. Keeler's hat store.

Anybody in need of a boss suit should examine the assortment of boss clothing at B Stine's. d&wtf.

Mr. Joy, of Joy Brothers, of the Carmi *Times*, was in to see us yesterday.

We keep the best stock of boots and shoes the market affords. Barber & Baker. s15dwtf

Full line of camp chairs, elegant patterns, at Ashby & Andress' Just the thing for a Christmas present. dec18dtf.

The regular old fashioned arm chair for old people, high in the back, noble cane, for $4.00 at Ashby & Andress' dec18dtf.

The testimony of Wm Stare, in his own behalf in the rape case pending against him, was given yesterday forenoon.

The celebrated Baker breech-loading shot gun, also, a new line of muzzle loaders and amunition for sale at bottom prices at Kormeyer and O'Neill's, two doors east of P. O o25-3m

Ladies' misses and children's shoes of all kinds and qualities at C. W. Challis' post office block. d&wtf

When you want a good revolver, pocket or table cutlery, call on E. Houston, old Revere block. 22d1w

No. 3607 in the drawing of J. R. Race & Co. which is held by Oswald Wekermon, drawa a boy's suit of clothes, worth $10.

When in need of furniture, hardware, etc., do not forget the old reliable house of E. Houston, old Revere block. 23d1w

We offer bargains in trimmed bonnets and hats in all the latest styles, ranging from fifty cents to fifteen dollars. Call and see us for what you want in that line.

Dec2tf. BEAR & EINSTEIN.

A large and complete assortment of dress buttons just received by LINN & SCRUGGS s13tf

We understand that on Wednesday some light fingered chap got away with the cash box of Mr. Moore, who keeps a poultry stand on Prairie street, which contained when it was taken about eight dollars. It was not a very heavy catch for the thief, but if he was right short, it would help him out considerably.

COLEMAN-GOODE.

Mr. Theo. Coleman, of this city, and Miss Linnie Goode were united in the bonds of wedlock yesterday afternoon at the bride's home in Oreana.

The solemn words which made the twain one flesh were said by Rev. A. Gregory. I. J. Davis, of this city, and Miss. Barbara Goode, sister of the bride, officiated as groomsman and bridesmaid.

Quite a delegation of friends went out from Decatur, among whom were Mr. and Mrs. J. Houck, H. W. Hill, Mrs. C. P. Housum, Mr. and Mrs H. Kain, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Stare, Mr. and Mrs W. H. Acuff, Mrs. B. Righter, Miss Lou Martin, Miss Mollie Chew Miss Emma Stare and Miss Ida Kain. Among the numerous wedding presents were the following: Twenty-five dollars in gold from the groom to the bride; large family bible from the mother, brothers and sisters of the groom; elegant pair vases, Mr. and Mrs. W. Spangler; silver cake stand, Mr. and Mrs. G W. Haworth; Splendid counterpane, mother of the bride; elegant table cloth, Mr and Mrs. H. Kain; silver dollar, Grandmother Barnett; silver butter knife Miss Belle Meyers; glass pitcher, Miss A. M Westhaven; table lamp, Mr and Mrs. T. M. Ayers; glass berry dish, Harvey Stearns; half dozen goblets, Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Funk; cabinet photo frame, Emma Stare and Ida Kain; gold ear rings, Miss Nesbit; glass berry dish, and bouquet holder, J. G. Garver; natural flowers. Lillie Acuff; gold locket, Dr. A Chenoweth; counterpane, Mrs. Geo. Stare; linen towels, D. M. Eshelman; worsted chair tidy, Mrs A. M. Westhaven; work-basket and stand. Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Goode; clock, E. and C. W Green; brussels rug, Mr. and Mrs. D. Martin; panel photo in frame, Miss Mollie R Chew; fluting iron, Miss Lou Martin; one dozen ornamented goblets, china dinner sett, majolica pitcher, W W. Kerr, F. M. Cox. D M Berlin, W. E Haworth, J. W. Phillips, and Theodore Nelson; rocking chair, Chas. Fletcher and C. P. Housum; table lamp, Wm Barnett; half dozen silver table spoons. Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Acuff; silver butter dish, G M. Barnett; pair of vases, Mr. and Mrs. Houck, glass berry dish, C. M McConnel, glass cake stand Laura M. McConnel, half dozen silver teaspoons, Mrs. Mattie Righter; pair silver napkin rings, I. J. Davis.

After the ceremony and the usual congratulations, an elegant wedding feast was served The newly-married pair will make Decatur their home for the present, and their many friends will wish them much joy.

The Past Compared with the Present.

It is twenty five years ago to-day since Decatur elected her first officers, under her city charter.

John P Post was elected Mayor, Franklin Priest Alderman of the first ward, E O. Smith of the second ward, J. R. Gorin of the third ward and O. B. Green of the fourth ward.

John W. Hartly was elected first Marshal, Jesse Elliot the first Street commissioner.

In 1857 the charter was changed by the legislature, so as to have the elections come off on the first Tuesday in March and provide for two aldermen for each ward.

In the spring of 1857 Dr. W. A Barnes was elected Mayor and John W. Hartly was re-elected Marshall, S. S. Goode was elected City Attorney and Clerk.

At that time the City Marshall was paid only $300 per year, and he constituted the entire police force of the city, having no assistance whatever. The difference between then and now is very marked. The population is now double what it was then. We have now five wards instead of four, with two Aldermen to each ward. The City Marshall now receives $65 per month, the deputy $55, and the police, of which there are five, receive $50 per month, each.

The improvements in the matter of buildings, and otherwise, have more than kept pace with the increase in population, and now every resident of Decatur has reason to be proud of his city, and there is reason to believe that the next twenty-five years will witness even more marked improvements than the last twenty-five, and fully as rapid growth.

An Old Time Watch.

Mr. Jacob Keeler, of this city, is the owner of a watch that he knows to be 300 years old, and how much older he does not know. He has the history of the watch for three hundred years, it having come down to him through a long line of progenitors. The watch is in the hands of Justice Peake for the purpose of being cleaned and is now in good condition, being an excellent time keeper. A peculiarity about it is that by pressing upon the stem the watch strikes the hour, whatever it may be, and then by bressing upon the stem a second time it strikes one for a quarter past, and two for half past, and three for three-quarters past, so that one can tell the time by it in the dark. It is really a curiosity, and as a relic, it must be highly prized by the owner.

Co. H. 5th Regiment I. N. G.

With their drum corps, will leave for Springfield on Monday morning January 10, at 7 o'clock to attend the inaugural cerimonies of Gov. Cullom.

CIRCUIT COURT.

December Term.

TWENTIETH DAY.

Court commenced at 8:30 o'clock a. m. Judge Smith presiding. The case of the people vs. Wm. Stare charged with rape was resumed, and held the attention of the court throughout the day.

A Narrow Escape From Fire.

On the night, of Tuesday, January 5. the residence of J. E. Hill, of Blue mound township, had a very narrow escape from destruction by fire. Mr Hill's father, who is now past eighty years of age, sleeps in a room where there is an open fireplace, and it is the habit of the family on cold nights, to keep a moderate fire in this room. As usual, on Tuesday night, a stick or two of wood was added to the fire about 9 o'clock, and the family retired. It so happened that on Tuesday evening two or three of the young people of the family were out to a singing school, and did not get home until nearly 11 o'clock. Soon after they came in the old gentleman called to know what was the matter in his room as he was nearly suffocated with smoke. On opening the door it was found that the floor of the room was on fire and also the carpet, and was just ready to burst into a blaze. Water was immediately thrown upon the burning floor and the fire was extinguished, but not until a large hole was burned through the floor. Had twenty minutes more eloped before the discovery of the fire it would have been so far advanced as to have made the destruction of the house a certainty, and the chances would have been against saving the life of the old gentleman. It seems providential that the young people were out a little later than usual on that night.

Springfield Correspondence.

SPRINGFIELD, ILLS., Jan. 6.

The proceedings of the legislature were without special interest to-day. The house completed its organization by electing the nominees of the republican caucus. Yesterday the senate passed a resolution authorizing the democrats to elect a janitor for their cloak room. This will be in the interest of Nelson, the colored democrat who last fall during the campaign told some of his fellow colored men that in the winter he would have a snug place at $3 a day because he was a democrat, while they would be sawing wood for what they could get for being republicans. Nelson is a sensible colored man, and while his race almost despise him for being a democrat, he makes friends with others by being modest and gentlemany. It now transpires that Miss McCabe, the republican nominee for assistant postmistress is a democrat. It is a rather a good joke on the managers. Miss McCabe says she has no politics now, which will do to tell.

The disappointed office seekers and their friends have gone home. They say they are disgusted. Of course they are. Disgust is only another name for disappointment and chagrin in this case.

The city has been filled full, but there has not been much intense interest. After the severe labors of the week, the statesmen are ready to adjourn till Monday evening.

Obituary.

Mrs Elizabeth Baker, wife of Henry Baker, deceased, died January 3rd, 1881, at the residence of Mr. Adam Harrauff, her son-in-law, of Oreana, Macon county, Illinois. Mrs. Baker was born in Rockingham county, Va., October, 18th, 1793. Her age at death was 87 years, 2 months, and 16 days She and her husband lived a number of years in the state of Ohio, and spent only their last years in Illinois. She was an amiable christian for many years, living in hope and dying in peace. She was first a member of the Reformed church, and for years of the Evangelical Lutheran church of which she was a member at death. The funeral services were at the residence of Mr. Harrauff, with a goodly number of sympathizing neighbors and friends in attendance with the family and relatives. The funeral services were conducted by Rev A L. Best, from Eccl. 12:7. "Then shall the body return to the earth as it was: and the spirit shall return to God who gave it." Rev. W. Roach followed with appropriate remarks. A respectable procession was formed and the body was conveyed to the Union church cemetery, and there laid beside her husband, with appropriate concluding services. Thus has passed away another of our aged citizens

A Female Thief.

Miss Lizzie French, a colored lady, who purloined quite an amount of clothing from the house of Mr. L. Burrows, where she was employed as a domestic, besides $30 in cash, has at last come to grief, and is safely quartered, in charge of Sheriff Foster, in the county bastile. The articles referred to, were purloined about nine months ago, but her ladyship has managed to evade arrest until yesterday, when, being heard of in Springfield, Deputy Marshal Howes went to that city and brought her here. She will probably have a hearing before a justice at an early day.

PERSONAL AND SOCIETY GOSSIP

Hon. S. H Swain, of Friends Creek, took a look at Decatur on Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. D. Haworth returned yesterday from their California trip.

We are sorry to learn that Hon. A. B. Bunn is confined to his house by illness. We hope it may not prove serious.

Mr. Chilson, of the dyehouse of Chilson & Co. made the REVIEW office a pleasant business call yesterday afternoon. He is doing a fine business.

Mrs. Francis Willard is in Springfield arranging for an attack on the legislature. The Hinds bill and the Kansas amendment are the objective points.

Mr. J. F. Payne, who has been absent from the city for two months traveling for a Moline manufacturing company, is now home for a week or two. He made the REVIEW office a pleasant call yesterday morning.

Alderman Shoemaker has the honor of a re-election as foreman of Eldorado hose company. The boys seem to stick to Andy like wax, and will probably go for him as foreman as long as he will accept the position.

Since Dr. S. McBride has got on upon the street his appearance indicates that he had a severe tussle with disease. We are glad the doctor came out ahead, and we hope he may now enjoy continued good health.

Meeting of Macon County Agricultural Board.

A called meeting of the board of directors of the Macon County Agricultural Board was held at the county treasurer's office in this city, yesterday at ten o'clock. Those present were President J. G. Willard, of Harristown; Secretary M. B. Thomas, Decatur; V. Barber, Hickory; J. H Alexander, Whitmore; Benj. Dill, Decatur; J. Y. Braden, Hickory, and J. R Miller, Decatur. Ex-President Miller occupied the chair at the commencement of the session, and at the close President-elect Willard presided. The reports of the several committees were received, and the committeemen were discharged. Treasurer J. H. Miller made his annual report. I showed the receipts during the year 1880 to have been $2817.77; disbursements, $2,810, leaving a small balance in the treasury. The question of permanently locating the place of holding the Illinois state fair was discussed at length. On motion of M. B Thomas a committee consisting of President Willard, V. Barber, M. B. Thomas on behalf of the board, and J. H. Pickrell, J. R. Race and J. R. Miller, on behalf of the citizens of the city and county, were appointed to look after the interests of Macon county in regard to the permanent location of the state fair at Decatur. Secretary Thomas made a verbal statement of the condition of the board, which showed it to be in a prosperous condition financially and otherwise, and above the average of county boards in this and other states.

M. B. THOMAS,
Secretary.

Notice.

Rev. T. T. Kendrick will deliver a discourse next Sabbath evening at the opera house, commencing at 7 o'clock, on "Prejudice," and answer the Belleville dispatch Doors open at 6 o'clock; all are welcome; seats free; no collection Congregational singing led by the choir; bring your Gospel Hymns. There will be polite ushers to seat you.

RAILROAD TICKETS

To Chicago at reduced rates at Nebinger & Reeser's Leather Store.

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J. W. BAKER'S

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OBSERVE OUR LATEST PRICES.

A fine Ladies' Gold Watch $18 00
Twenty different styles of Ladies' Gold Watches from ..... $20 00 and Upwards,
A large assortment of Gentlemen's Gold Watches, Elgin, Waltham and Springfield movements. ..... $30 00 and Upwards
The largest stock of Silver Watches in the city from ..... $7 00 and Upwards.
An Elegant Alarm Clock $2 10
Also forty other styles of Clocks.
☞ A large stock of Elegant Jewelry in accordance with the above prices.

In addition to the above mentioned immense stock, we have on hand a great variety of small musical instruments; violins, accordeons, harmonicas, etc., which will be closed out at BOTTOM FIGURES. "Goods well bought are half sold," is our motto. Before you buy call at the store,

No. 8 SOUTH SIDE OLD SQUARE.

H. POST,

The only responsible Jeweler in the city.

They are Coming.

That is Billy Arlington and his splendid minstrel troupe. They will be here on Tuesday evening next. Below is what a Clinton Iowa paper says of the entertainment:

Billy Arlington, the head and front of minstrelsy was greeted with a good house Wednesday evening and to take the vociferous encores as a criterion the audience was more than pleased. The music was very fine and the songs new. Billy's last and greatest troupe is a combination of the best artists of the minstrel stage and far eclipses anything in the minstrel line ever shown in Clinton. Billy Arlington is a whole show in himself and simply brings down the house. From the time he makes his bow at the raising of the curtain until the going down of the same you will laugh continually.

Read the add and learn the prices.

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AND

GENTLEMEN!

Our Stock in all Departments is very large and the season being somewhat advanced we propose to make some portions thereof Move Quickly In fact, considering that it is late in the season, we are overstocked and offer you Extraordinary bargains! All our goods are in every way desirable, but we call your attention more particularly to our Elegant line of

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All the goods here enumerated and in fact, all Woolen goods of every description will to-day be placed on sale at a reduction of

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